





RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 1634

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| Stewart COLE et al. |) Group Art Unit: 1634 |
| Application No.: 09/673,476 |) Examiner: Jehanne S. Sitton |
| Filed: November 30, 2000 |) Confirmation No.: 5289 |
| For: A METHOD FOR ISOLATING A POLYNUCLEOTIDE OF INTEREST FROM THE GENOME OF A MYCOBACTERIUM USING A BAC-BASED DNA LIBRARY, APPLICATION OF THE DETECTION OF MYCOBACTERIA | Mail Stop AF)))))))) |

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed October 31, 2005, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

A copy of the **Pending Claims** is included in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include Application Data Sheet.